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TANEY COUNTY FARMER KILLED

Argument Over Cattle is Thought To Have Resulted in Fatal Shooting

Springfield, Aug. 7.—Abner Holcomb a farmer residing about twenty miles east of Forsyth, near Hercules, Taney county, was shot and fatally wounded Tuesday afternoon by neighbors following an argument over some cattle. Holcomb died at his home yesterday morning from the wound.

According to a meager account received in Springfield the shooting occurred after Holcomb had an altercation with two neighbors, following a stock deal. No arrests, however, have been made in the case, pending an investigation by Judge Adams of Forsyth.

Holcomb was shot early Tuesday afternoon and lay in the woods, where the shooting occurred, until about midnight, where he was found by neighbors. He died yesterday morning at 9 o'clock at his home, where he was taken by neighbors.

Judge Adams left yesterday afternoon for the scene of the shooting to make an investigation and to hold an inquest over the dead body of the farmer. Arrests are expected to follow the investigation.

RIDGLEY

Elmon Parmley had the misfortune to get one of his big toes broken by dropping a railroad rail on it. Dr. Searcy was called to set the bone.

John and Mack Metcalf returned to their work in Kansas, Sunday, after a visit with home folks.

Mrs. R. T. Judd returned from a visit with relatives in Anderson and Monett.

H. H. Counts has opened a first class store here. He will be ready to buy cream by Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Kimbro left Sunday night where they will work with a threshing crew.

Miss Blanche Knisley is visiting relatives in Pineville.

Loren Rogers, who was struck by a train near Stark City, last week is able to be out. He expects to return to his work in Tulsa Sunday.

Luther Wells and family have moved here from near Wheaton.

Mr. Ivy of Anderson is visiting his daughter, Mrs. W. E. Rice.

Miss Jessie Mullens of Beaman is spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Mullens.

R. T. Judd attended a sale near Fairview, Tuesday.

Mrs. Knisley and Mrs. Metcalf were Wayne visitors Wednesday evening.

Mr. Dunbar transacted business in Wheaton, Wednesday.

Several from here are attending the reunion at Cassville this week.

FOR SALE

20 acres best berry and small fruit land in county. 1 1/2 miles north town. Fair house and outbuildings. Small orchard now bearing. Good cistern. See Mrs. M. E. Terry or phone 925-23. 25t12*

Miss Elizabeth Walker and Frank Balmas attended the Cassville Reunion Thursday.

A VETERAN BRAKEMAN LEAVES ON LAST RUN

The Paris, Tex., Weekly News of July 31, had the following to say about R. E. Rice, brakeman of Monett:

R. E. (Bob) Rice, the veteran brakeman on the Frisco, who has been running in and out on passenger train between Monett and Paris for many years, left on the 10:45 north-bound train last night on his last run. He has been continuously in the employ of the Frisco railway for the past forty years, and having reached the age limit of seventy years the company retires him, but will pay him a pension for the rest of his life.

During the forty years that he has been in service he served as baggage master thirteen years and as brakeman twenty-seven years. He began working for the Frisco August 1, 1879, and retires August 1, 1919. During his thirty-eight years service between Monett and Paris he ran on Nos. 3 and 4 practically all the time. He has a most remarkable record. He never missed a payday, was never in but one wreck was never in a hold-up, has never been the cause of anybody getting hurt and has never had a demerit marked against him. During his forty years service for violating the rules, making a mistake carelessness or any other cause.

While Mr. Rice is very modest and not at all inclined to boast his railroad friends claim for him that he holds the record for the entire southwest of the United States. It will certainly be conceded by everybody that whether he is in a class by himself or not he holds a record that can't be beat. Although he is seventy years old, the age at which long service employes are retired on pension, he is still very strong and healthy, and can don the boxing gloves with most of the young amateurs. The pension that he will receive from the railroad is not fixed. It is to be decided by a board on the merits of the individual case.

He says that he hates to leave the railroad service on account of the associations, and that he hates to leave the Paris people, whom he thinks are great. He has had the same bedroom in the Fenet building on Bonham street ever since it was erected twenty-two years ago. His friends in Paris will regret the severance of ties with him quite as much as he with them, and it will be a long time before they will cease to miss him.

STORM IN OHIO

Cleveland, Aug. 6.—Four persons known to be dead, probably six seriously wounded, property and crop damage estimates at more than \$2,000,000 and 200 families driven from their homes was the toll early today of the electrical storm which swept northern Ohio late yesterday.

Destruction by lightning of barns most of which were filled with new crops were reported from many points.

NOTICE

All accounts due J. L. Jeffries for coal must be paid on or before August 5 or they will be placed in the hands of a collector.

J. L. JEFFRIES. 17t4

14 RAILROAD UNIONS BACK WAGE DEMANDS

Brotherhoods Act as Unit For First Time and Possibility of Complete Paralysis of Nation's Transportation System is Seen.

Washington, Aug. 6.—Acting as a unit for the first time in the presentation of wage demands, the fourteen principal railroad unions today, in expressing to Director General Hines their disapproval of President Wilson's proposal that congress create a commission to consider increased pay, declared that wage questions must be settled immediately.

A general program to meet the present crisis, was submitted to the director general. It suggested that the money to provide increased pay should come from an appropriation by congress, to be followed by appropriate freight rate advances. This "temporary relief" must be accompanied by a determined effort to reduce the cost of living.

Permanent solution of the railroad problem was declared, to depend upon the removal of returns to capital as the sole purpose of operation and the director general, accordingly, was asked to recommend to President Wilson that he attempt to obtain early passage by congress of organized labor's bills to eliminate private capital from control of the railroads and to give the employes a share in the profits. The unions declared the belief of the workers that transportation rates should be sufficient to guarantee just wages, maintain the properties and give equitable returns on money invested.

Co-operation between the four great brotherhoods—engineers, firemen, conductors and trainmen—for the first time several years ago, proved the power of united action in passage of the Adamson act.

The present situation was said to be similar, but infinitely more dangerous. Not only are the four brotherhoods involved but all the other unions also which have to deal with maintenance of equipment and the moving of trains.

The program submitted to Director General Hines declared that the employes were entitled to compensation which would at least reestablish the pre-war purchasing power of their wage.

KNIGHTS AND LADIES OF SECURITY INITIATES

The Knights and Ladies of Security met in regular session Tuesday night. Seven candidates were initiated into the lodge. They were Misses Grace Breece, Ethel King, Marjorie Keller, Jane Kenney, Mrs. Mark Tiernan, Mrs. Nellie Long and J. M. Robinson.

C. H. Reed, of Springfield, district manager, was present at the meeting and informed the members that the membership campaign had been extended to September 30.

Mrs. M. P. Randolph and son, Thad, departed Wednesday evening for Estancia, N. Mex., where they will make their home. Mr. Randolph is employed by the New Mexico Central Railroad Company.

NEW YORK TIED UP BY STRIKE

New York, Aug. 6.—Service on the subways, elevated and trolley lines of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit System was demoralized at the rush hour early today by the strike of part of the company's 13,000 employes.

The walkout set for five o'clock did not assume serious proportions until 8 a. m. when thousands of passengers on their way to work in New York from various boroughs across the river waited in vain for service.

The East River bridges soon were crowded with automobiles, motor trucks and other vehicles pressed into service. Congestion in the subway trains which were operated on a limited scale was most marked. Trains on the "L" roads ran desultorily and the surface cars gave only part service.

The employes are striking to enforce demands for an eight-hour day, recognition of the union and increase in pay to seventy-five cents an hour for all trainmen and a proportionate raise for other employes.

RURAL CARRIERS CONVENTION CLOSSES

Springfield, Aug. 7.—The seventeenth annual convention of the Missouri Rural Carriers association closed here at noon Tuesday with the reelection of all state officers and the adoption of a resolution endorsing the administration of the national carriers' association.

A resolution was also adopted asking congress to make a sufficient appropriation providing for a substantial increase in salaries to rural carriers throughout the country.

The state officers re-elected for the ensuing term are as follows: President, B. A. Dump, Mora; vice-president, T. C. Goodsell, Jefferson City; secretary, T. W. Snodgrass, El Dorado Springs. The following were elected members of the executive board, G. G. Dingman, Sturgeon; James Holt, California. Delegates to the national convention, which will be held at Dayton, Ohio, are as follows:

TWO DAYS CONVENTION HELD AT CASSVILLE

Summer Meeting Of School Boards And Teachers Of Special Interest. New Laws Explained.

The annual summer meeting of the officers of school boards and teachers which was held in Cassville Wednesday and Thursday of last week was of special interest. The New Compulsory school law was thoroughly discussed and fully explained. Prof. Thompson of the Southwest Teachers College at Springfield Supt. McCrosky of Green county and Mrs. L. Z. Campbell of St. Louis were among the special lecturers from a distance upon subjects of special interest to the teachers and members of school boards.

The program prepared by County Supt. Hankins was a full one and every minute of the two days session was utilized. Many of the teachers declared the session to be one of the most profitable yet held in the county.

The new compulsory school law provides for an attendance officer whose duty it shall be to see that the law is enforced. A severe penalty consists of fining or imprisonment or both is provided for parents who do not keep their children in school. The attendance officer will have a list of every child of school age in each district of the county and each teacher is to report to him the names of any child in the district who is not in school. The attendance officer then proceeds to investigate such cases and has the law enforced.

Some of the other subjects receiving attention at the convention were: State course of study, Alternation, attendance on teachers' meetings, proper heating, sanitation and ventilation, school fairs and community meetings, relation of the Rural and High schools, plans for improvement for this year.—Cassville Republican.

B. A. Dump, J. M. Harper, Ash Grove, H. G. Lyons, Warrensburg; J. E. Hamilton, Fulton; J. Gehle St. Louis.

BASEBALL

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Western League.
Joplin, 6; Sioux City, 7.
Tulsa, 4; Omaha, 2.
Oklahoma City, 7; St. Joseph, 1.
Wichita at Des Moines, no game.

American League.
Detroit, 4; Washington, 1.
St. Louis at New York; postponed, rain.

Chicago at Philadelphia; postponed, wet grounds.
National League.
New York, 4; St. Louis, 8.
Brooklyn, 6; Cincinnati, 1.
Boston, 2; Chicago, 0.
Philadelphia at Pittsburgh; postponed, wet grounds.

American Association.
Toledo, 0; St. Paul, 3.
Columbus, 6; Milwaukee, 1.
Indianapolis, 2; Kansas City, 8.
Louisville at Minneapolis; postponed, wet grounds.

ORDNANCE TRAIN HERE NEXT SUNDAY

The Motor Recruiting Party of Camp Funston, Kan., is making a tour of this section of the state and will be in Monett a short time, Sunday, August 10.

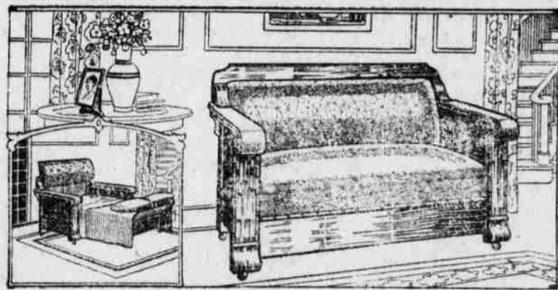
The train is under the command of Col. S. P. Herron U. S. Army, 7th Division. A thirty-two piece band will accompany the train and will give concerts at the different stops.

An army scout plane is to precede the train by several hours. Twenty-five officers and 100 enlisted men accompany the train. A large display of army equipment will be shown.

The object of the drive is to secure recruits for the U. S. Army and to show what the army is doing today in the way of educational and vocational training.

THE WEATHER

Fair and cooler in the northwest, local thunder showers and cooler in east and south portions Thursday; cooler Thursday night; Friday fair.



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